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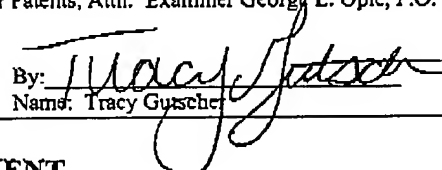
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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	John R. Douceur et al.	Examiner:	George L. Opie
Application No.:	10/668,764	Group Art Unit:	2194
Filed:	September 23, 2003	Docket No.:	50037.33USD1
Title:	METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONTROLLING THE IMPROVING OF A PROGRAM LAYOUT		

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 17, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **appendix** including a terminal disclaimer is attached following page 7 of this paper.